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Bellary ...	1,25,549 11 8	2,15,680 12 0	3,13,309 13 5	
Cuddapah ...	38,895 4 6	1,06,811 1 7	1,49,160 11 1	
Ganjam ...	303 1 4	5,204 15 11	46,533 12 5	
Godavari ...	68 1 4	798 4 8	536 3 9	
Kurnool ...	34,988 13 2	90,632 11 4	1,43,348 4 11	
Madras (P. W. Stores) ...	65 14 10	5,913 3 6	23,857 6 11	
Vizagapatam ...	5,156 10 8	25,981 9 4	44,510 9 10	
Total...	2,24,358 9 7	4,96,787 14 5	8,13,912 13 10	

From F. C. HARRISON, Esq., Offg. Accountant-General to the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, No. 2569, dated 23rd August 1897.

In continuation of my letter No. 2548, dated the 20th August 1897, I have the honour to state that the Examiner of Public Works Accounts informs me that the actuals under 33 *Famine Relief in charge of Public Works Officers* amounted, for the first three months of the current year, according to his book, to Rs. 15,35,060 and that the expenditure in July amounted approximately to Rs. 12,44,264. The total Public Works expenditure for the first four months is thus approximately Rs. 27,79,324.

Memorandum from the Public Works Department, No. 1214-D, dated 24th August 1897, transferring the following telegram from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated 23rd August 1897.

"Your wire 20th. Position is this. Expenditure to end of June in round thousands 15,35. In July 12.44. Cash and treasury balances with famine officers 14,00. August credits 12,64. September credits 13,39. Estimated supplemental credits to 30th September 10,00. Total estimated expenditure April to September 77,82. Deduct existing grant 10,91. Balance required 66,91. Detailed report follows. Pending orders on my wires 19th and 20th famine credits are held in abeyance."

Proceedings of the Public Works Department, No. 2349 W, dated 25th August 1897.

READ—the following:—

Telegram from the Examiner Public Works Accounts, dated 17th August 1897:—

Wire orders on my letter No. 438-A, 29th ultimo. Probable excess over grant including probable applications for credits for September next will be about 27 lakhs.

Telegram from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated 19th August 1897:—

Bellary applies for two lakhs supplemental credit famine. Wire orders on this and on my telegram of 17th instant.

Telegram from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated 20th August 1897:—
Kurnool applies for a lakh supplemental credit famine. Solicit immediate orders on this and previous telegrams. Otherwise serious consequences must ensue.

Order thereon, No. 2349 W, dated 25th August 1897.

The Examiner, Public Works Accounts, is authorised to issue credits to the extent of Rs. 21 lakhs in excess of existing grants, pending a specific allotment of funds which will shortly be made in the Financial Department. This includes two lakhs for Bellary and one lakh for Kurnool.

(True Extract.)

C. H. B. BURLTON,
Under Secretary to Government.

From F. C. HARRISON, Esq., Offg. Accountant-General, to the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras. No. 2620, dated 26th August 1897.

In continuation of my letters Nos. 2548 and 2569, dated the 20th and 23rd August 1897, respectively, I have the honor to forward the accompanying copy of a statement shewing the grant, expenditure and excess expenditure under 33 Famine Relief from 1st April to 30th September 1897, since obtained from the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

2. It will be seen from it that he estimates the total outlay for the 6 months in question at Rs. 77,82,000.

3. The expenditure in the Civil Department according to the accompanying copy of the statement forwarded to the Famine Commissioner amounted for the first four months of the current year to Rs. 19,59,000.* Basing my estimate on the actual outlay in July last which amounted to Rs. 9,01,000, I think that 18 lakhs for the current and ensuing months should suffice. Adopting these figures, the total expenditure up to the end of September next will amount to Rs. 1,15,41,000. Deducting the sanctioned grants of Rs. 20,04,000 and 14,96,000, the further additional grant for which the sanction of the Government of India has to be sought is Rs. 80,41,000.

* Since reduced by adjustments.

ENCLOSURE.

Statement showing Famine Relief Expenditure up to the end of July 1897.

Districts.	Salaries and establishment.	Relief Works in charge of Civil Officers.	Relief to people employed otherwise than on Relief Works.	Gratuitous Relief.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
Ganjam	April 279 0 4 May 926 4 1 June 1,539 7 11 July 4,895 5 5	... 6,206 8 6 10,162 6 0 2,177 0 2	2,306 8 1 15,256 11 3 86,643 5 1 76,361 15 4	2,709 10 8 24,215 0 2 71,631 11 8 1,53,126 13 7	597 0 0 730 4 6 685 15 5 1,436 10 6	5,892 3 1 47,334 12 6 1,20,662 14 1 2,37,997 13 0
	7,640 1 9	18,545 14 8	1,30,568 7 9	2,51,683 4 1	3,449 14 5	4,11,887 10 8
Vizagapatam	April ... May ... June 5 0 6 July 181 3 11	9,474 0 5 4,105 10 10 811 3 8 1,892 1 9	 100 0 0 11,011 8 9	1,473 1 5 2,742 2 2 6,931 10 9 42,642 11 11	 5 2 0 ...	10,947 1 10 6,847 13 0 6,230 9 1 55,727 10 4
	186 3 11	14,660 9 4	11,111 8 9	53,789 10 3	5 2 0	79,753 2 3
Godavari	April ... May ... June ... July ...	... 6 15 0 ... 77 15 9		4,607 12 0 5,297 13 0 2,875 0 0 ...		... 4,614 11 0 5,297 13 0 2,952 15 9
	...	84 14 9	...	12,780 9 0	...	12,865 7 9
Cuddapah	April 593 15 11 May 778 9 7 June 831 5 3 July 1,420 4 10	5,791 4 4 10,500 0 4 30,689 9 4 11,854 13 4	52,020 6 2 34,565 10 8 44,793 13 5 79,382 8 1	978 0 11 3,877 12 6 22,025 0 6 33,254 13 11	... 0 8 0	53,383 11 4 28,722 8 5 98,339 12 6 1,25,912 8 2
	3,624 3 7	37,835 10 8	2,10,762 6 4	60,135 11 10	0 8 0	3,12,358 8 5
Anantapur	April 338 1 0 May 496 3 1 June 356 7 7 July 1,307 15 5	1,500 0 0 6,800 0 0 8,937 11 3 5,203 13 3	2,000 0 0 4,000 0 0 ... 5,128 14 0	1,700 0 0 11,848 10 10 21,050 0 0 11,331 3 3	49 11 0 122 2 6 171 13 6 ...	5,587 12 0 23,267 0 5 30,172 5 4 22,971 13 11
	2,498 11 1	22,441 8 6	11,128 14 0	45,929 14 1	...	81,998 15 8
Kurnool	April 283 2 10 May 780 8 11 June 3,325 13 0 July 3,260 13 1	78,812 15 7 79,859 13 4 2,52,250 0 0 2,10,595 14 2	9,135 3 8 9,279 0 0 10,658 7 0 66,276 0 4	3,913 3 0 7,470 0 0 51,458 11 2 95,072 12 8		92,144 6 1 97,389 6 3 3,17,692 15 2 3,75,205 8 3
	7,650 5 10	6,21,518 8 1	95,348 11 0	1,57,914 10 10	...	8,82,432 3 9
Bellary	April 499 5 10 May 2,470 8 0 June 2,758 10 5 July 4,274 12 1	993 15 0 3,720 13 0 3,817 1 4 672 12 6	2,413 8 5 5,490 11 9 8,944 9 2 25,216 2 11	9,400 10 1 19,622 1 4 37,228 15 2 49,687 3 4		13,307 7 4 31,304 2 1 52,744 4 1 79,850 14 10
	10,003 4 4	9,204 9 10	42,063 0 3	1,15,933 13 11	...	1,77,206 12 4
Total						19,58,502 12 10

ORDER—No. 702 A, dated 31st August 1897.

The following telegram will be despatched to the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, Simla:—

698. With reference to your No. A 329-A, 22nd July, actual famine relief expenditure up to the end of July was Civil Officers 19.59 lakhs, Public works 27.79, total 47.38. Estimate for August is 22 and for September 16. Grand total 85. Please sanction additional grant 50 lakhs.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
" Public Works Department.
" Accountant-General.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

MEMORANDUM.

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Dated Madras, 21st August 1897

Office note from the Examiner
P. W. Accounts, No. 2608 D/B. a at
18th August 1897.

Transferred to the Finance
Department with reference to the
order in that Department No. 6
dated 17th August 1897.

2. The difference between outlay
(actual and prospective) and the
amount of credits applied for
by the Examiner is so great that
has been urged to for an explana-
tion.

J. H. P. L. R. E.,
Secretary to Govt.

Financial
Revenue Department

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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS

DEPARTMENT ss, K.C.I.E.,

MEMORANDUM.

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Dated Madras, 24th August

Telegram from the Examiner, P.W. Accounts, dated 24th August 1897.

Transferred to the Financial Department in continuation of G.O. W. dated August 1897, in which the issue of extra credits to the extent of Rs. 21,00,000 was authorised. The balance now required in accordance with the Examiner's estimate will therefore be Rs. 66,91,000 - 21,00,000 = Rs. 45,91,000.

J. R. Campbell Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To
The Financial Department.

Copy of note by the Honourable Sir Henry Bliss, K.C.I.E.,
dated 20th August 1897.

"I suppose some such order must issue, as we are told that if it does not issue famine relief works must stop. But I confess that I do not in the least understand how any such sum can at present be wanted. The Examiner keeps on talking 'credits'. In current No. 7543 (in the linked file) he says he has issued to the five famine divisions (N.B. I presume Bangalore includes Anantapur) a total of 'credits' for Rs. 56, and that the total of the 'credits' he has issued for the whole Presidency comes to Rs. 83,01,126 against a total grant of Rs. 87,14,441. Where he gets this latter sum I have no idea. Deducting 37 and 38 (two Railway heads) ^{the} total Public Works grant is only

33 Famine 10.41

43. Irrigation
Minor Works &c. 28.95

45. Civil Works . . . 18.41
57.77

Perhaps he includes the Imperail heads

42. Irrigation Major Works . . . 13.70

44. Military 81

45. Civil Works 86
15.37

But even that would only be a total of 73.14. However this may be what we want is not 'credits', but actual expenditure. According to the Examiner, the five famine divisions must have drawn (from him, that is, not necessarily from the treasuries) 36 lakhs more than the whole P.W. allotment under 33. That is the famine drawings on works up to July 29 were 10.41 lakhs + 36 = 46.41. But what has been spent? Surely if he can't ^{at once} answer this question, he can find out at once from the A.G. what has been drawn from the treasuries up to the end of July. That

would

would give us some sort of idea how we stand.

I remark that the Bellary Division has got credits for about double as much as the Kurnool Division. But why? There have not been double as many people on the works in Bellary and Anantapur together as in Kurnool.

I regret that I can afford H.E. so little assistance, but the fact is that this question seems to be but a part of the general question of the total famine expenditure of some 77 lakhs for which the Board has estimated. That estimate was sent on to me without the usual examination in the Department concerned, and I therefore returned it that it might be so examined. I have no information, as above stated, as to what has been spent already, and it is for the Revenue Department to estimate the number likely to come on relief, and the consequent expenditure likely to be incurred in the future."

in the P.W.D.
Copy of note for His Excellency ~~in the P.W.D.~~ dated 20th August 1897.

"The Examiner has since reported that the total expenditure on famine relief works up to the end of June (the latest date for which actuals are available) amounts to Rs. 15,35,059. Taking the expenditure for July and August ^{at} half as much again as the rate for June, namely, Rs. 12,20,868, the total approximate expenditure on famine relief works up to the end of August will be Rs. 39,76,795. To this must be added the approximate expenditure ^{on} ~~for~~ ordinary Public Works in the affected districts. This is taken at Rs. 4,25,303 being 5/12ths of the grant for the year. The total approximate outlay therefore may thus be taken at Rs. 44,02,098.

2. The Examiner states that he has issued credits to the amount of Rs. 56,66,400. So far, therefore, as can be judged from an examination of the figures available at head quarters, the expenditure is something like 12,64,302 less than the credits issued by the Examiner.

Enclosures to G.O.No. W. dated August 1897.
regarding funds for famine relief works.

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sure after:*
Copy of note by His Excellency the Governor dated 19th August 1897.

"I don't understand this. Let the paper go to the Hon. Sir. H. Bliss, first."

The Examiner has been asked to explain why there should be so large an apparent difference between outlay and the amount of credits issued.

3. Meanwhile, the draft order sanctioning additional credits may perhaps issue."

Copy of note by His Excellency dated 21st ^{August} ~~May~~ 1897.

"The draft order may be accepted, but the Examiner's explanation is awaited".

Statement Showing Grants

Expenditure under "33. Bureau Relief Work" from 1 April to 30 September 1897.

No.	Particulars	Expenditure to end of June 1897	Expenditure during July 1897	Cash and drawing account balance on 1 August 1897	Letters of credit for August & September '97	Letters of credit for September '97	Estimated supplemental credit for September '97	Total	Grant as now stands	Probable excess expenditure	Remarks
1	Bellary	812.29	443.97	620.00	600.00	580.00	500.00	3556.26	555.00	3001.26	
2	Cadapah	294.87	251.06	190.00	302.00	285.00	200.00	1522.93	105.00	1417.93	
3	Kurumal	268.91	383.24	250.00	271.20	414.00	200.00	1787.42	206.00	1581.42	
4	Kanjann	520.42	81.82	220.00	708.00	-	500.00	474.65	122.00	352.65	
5	Wingapahann	750.49	61.15	120.00	20.00	60.00	50.00	386.79	96.00	290.79	
6	Enduery, Endera	14.03	-	-	-	-	-	14.03	100	403	
7	Public Works Store	2983.6	229.98	-	-	-	-	52.83	500	478.34	
8	North Creek	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	-100	
	Total	15350.59	1244.26	1400.00	1204.00	1339.00	1000.00	7782.32	1091.00	6691.32	

Note 1 - The figures in column 4 represent the approximate outlay voted by the Executive Engineer concerned.
 2 - The figures in column 5 include the supplemental credit of Rs 30000 since voted.

(True copy)

J. D. D. D.
 Chief Superintendant

(Signed) E. A. Briggs
 Treasurer P.W. Accounts Madras

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Financial DEPARTMENT.

C. Nos 2571, 2572, 2586 & 2604 & 2607

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H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

THE HON'BLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E.

THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

SUBJECT

Famine Grants

FOR ORDERS.

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Rev. Dept

I think we may as well wire to India the actuals up to end of July & enter for Aug & Sept ask for an additional grant of 50 lakhs. This won't be more than we shall want, even if the no relief fall off more, for under the most favourable circumstances we can't get rid of all relief by the end of Sept. - Indeed, I & 2607. don't if relief will entirely stop for the end of Decr. -

I see that the Examinr still goes on with his issue of "credits" without any apparent regard to actual requirements. I don't know P.W. under the subject, but it seems some that action of the kind is simply foolish & should be stopped.

(X) altogether unnecessary

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From C. No 2572 it would appear that the Accountant's General estimates the expenditure under 33 Famine Relief - Civil Office up to the end of August 1897 at about 29.50 lakhs as follows

April - July - (actuals) -	19.68
August (estimate) -	9.82
	<u>29.50</u>

From C. No 2604 it will be seen that the Ex. P. W. Accts places the expenditure of that dep under the same head at about 54.43 lakhs up to the end of August.

April to June (actuals) -	15.35
July -	12.44
August - estimate -	26.64
	<u>54.43</u> - B

The total expenditure to the end of August will thus be (A + B =)

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C. No 2690

13.93 lakhs against a grant
of 10 lakhs.

Placing the civil dept.

expenditure in September at 5 lakhs

(this is an arbitrary figure of course)

the Rev. Dept will be able to say

it is likely to be sufficient)

re-examine and adopting

amended calculations for

the expenditure up to the

of that month will come

Civil Dept (29.50 + 5 =) 34.50

Rev. Dept (54.43 + 23.39 =) 77.82

112.32

83.93
5.29
78.64
112.32

In G.O. No. 642 Int. of 17.8.12

by the Rev. & P. W. Dept.

have been asked to give details of

past expenditure as well as the future

probable progress, but it appears

to be unworkable absolutely necessary

to write to India stating what

the probabilities are to ask for

a further grant in

addition to the 35 lakhs already

sanctioned. The Examiner bases

his estimates on his credit notes

and looking to the fact that a

balance of 14 lakhs was apparently

in the hands of P.W.D. officers
on 14 August 1897 against a
total expenditure in the four
previous months of 27.79
lakhs, his estimates are it
is thought considerably over-
estimated

The total estimate of
112.32 lakhs now arrived at
is considerably in excess of
the Finance Commissioners
77 lakhs. The latter estimate
is with the Rev. Dept.

These papers are passed
to the Rev. Dept. as it is
better
in a position to say whether
the expenditure is likely to reach
the above figures.

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Note in the Rev. Dept.

the actual expenditure in

the civil dept in April to July

was 19.68 lakhs according to the A.C.

has
he stated in a previous report

that the actuals for April to June

aggregated 10.67 lakhs. So that

the expenditure in July alone

was 9.01 lakhs. He estimates

the expenditure in August at
 13. about the same figure; remembering
 that the numbers on relief which
 were gradually rising in July ~~begin~~
 to fall gradually from the beginning
 of August it may be assumed that
 the expenditure in the latter
 month will be about the same
 as in July and the A. & S. esti-
 mate may be accepted. It
 is difficult to say now what
 the expenditure will be in
 September; but if the present rate
 of decrease in the numbers be
 maintained the expenditure will
 be about 5 or 6 lakhs.

2. The Income P. W. account
 reports that the actual expenditure
 on the P. W. D for April to June
 was 15.35 lakhs. ~~and for July~~
~~and that the expenditure~~
 in July was 12.44. For the

reason stated in para 1 above
 the expenditure in August cannot
 very much exceed this figure.
 and even allowing for the fact that the
 estimate of 26.64 lakhs for
 August is altogether excessive
 the estimate for September must
 only be a guess and may be put

(*) a reference to the appended
 statement will show that the
 expenditure in August on gratuitous
 relief will be less than in July
 and that on measures' relief more

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 penditure in August on relief
 works must be somewhat less
 than in July

(The expenditure in July cannot all
 have been brought to book yet)

47.47
 21.45
 68.92
 16.08
 85.00

down say at 8 or 9 lakhs
 3. The position then is this:-
 Booked expenditure Civil & P.W. } 26.64
 in April, May and June }
 Booked expenditure July 21.44
 Total April to July 8
 the expenditure in August will
 be about the same as in July, prob-
 ably more remembering that the
 figure for July represents only
 expenditure actually booked
 then we have September for which
 we have to provide 13 or 14 lakhs
 this gives a grand total of 83 or
 84 lakhs from April to Septem-
 ber. The Income Commr's estimate
 that, ~~based~~ in view of recent
 orders, considerable reduction
 will be feasible in his estimate
 of 97.7 lakhs for April to Dec-
 is not likely to be realized
 on the other hand it is al-
 certain that his estimate
 will be largely exceeded

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Anantapur ...	19,331 0 1	45,765 4 1	92,655 15 6	Allocation by Civil Districts not being readily available in this office, the figures may require slight modification on receipt of information from Executive Engineers.
Bellary ...	125,549 11 8	215,680 12 0	313,309 13 5	
Cuddapah ...	38,895 4 6	106,811 1 7	149,160 11 1	
Ganjam ...	303 1 4	5,204 15 11	46,533 12 5	
Godavari ...	68 1 4	798 4 8	536 3 9	
Kurnool ...	34,988 13 2	90,632 11 4	143,348 4 11	
Madras (P. W. Stores) ...	65 14 10	5,913 3 6	23,857 6 11	
Vizagapatam ...	5,156 10 8	25,981 9 4	44,510 9 10	
Total...	2,24,358 9 7	4,96,787 14 5	8,13,912 13 10	

No. 2608-D/B, dated 18th August 1897.
Forwarded to W., with reference to his telegram dated 17th instant.

Madras,
18th August 1897.

E. A. DENNYS,
Examiner, P. W. Accounts,
Madras.

Telegram from the Examiner Public Works Accounts, dated 17th August 1897:—
Wire orders on my letter No. 438-A, 29th ultimo. Probable excess over grant including probable applications for credits for September next will be about 21 lakhs.

Proceedings of the Public Works Department, No. , dated August 1897.

Telegram from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated 19th August 1897:—
Bellary applies for two lakhs supplemental credit famine. Wire orders on this and on my telegram of 17th instant.

Telegram from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated 20th August 1897:—
Kurnool applies for a lakh supplemental credit famine. Solicit immediate orders on this and previous telegrams. Otherwise serious consequences must ensue.

Order thereon, No.

Dated August 1897.

The Examiner, Public Works Accounts, is authorised to issue credits to the extent of Rs. 21 lakhs in excess of existing grants, pending a specific allotment of funds which will shortly be made in the Financial Department. This includes 10 lakhs for Bellary and one lakh for Kurnool.

(True Extract.)

C. H. B. BURLTON,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Examiner, Public Works Accounts,
Financial Department.

From F. C. HARRISON, Esq., Offg. Accountant-General to the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, No. 2569-D, dated 23rd August 1897.

In continuation of my letter No. 2548, dated the 20th August 1897, I have the honour to state that the Examiner of Public Works Accounts informs me that the actuals under 33 *Famine Relief in charge of Public Works Officers* amounted, for the first three months of the current year, according to his book, to Rs. 15,35,060 and that the expenditure in July amounted approximately to Rs. 12,44,264. The total Public Works expenditure for the first four months is thus approximately Rs. 27,79,324.

(Signed) F. C. HARRISON,

Memorandum from the Public Works Department, No. 1244-D, dated 24th August 1897.

Telegram from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated 23rd August 1897.

Transferred to the Financial Department in continuation of G.O., No. W, dated August 1897, in which the issue of extra credits to the extent of Rs. 21,00,000 was authorised. The balance now required in accordance with the Examiner's estimate will therefore be Rs. 66,91,000 - 21,00,000 = Rs. 45,91,000.

D. McN. CAMPBELL, COLONEL, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Financial Department.

ENCLOSURE.

Copy of telegram from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated 23rd August 1897.

"Your wire 20th. Position is this. Expenditure to end of June in round thousands 15,35. In July 12,44. Cash and treasury balances with Famine Officers 14,00. August credits 12,64. September credits 13,39. Estimated supplemental credits to 30th September 10,00. Total estimated expenditure April to September 77,82. Deduct existing grant 10,91. Balance required 66,91. Detailed report follows. Pending orders on my wires 19th and 20th famine credits are held in abeyance."

From F. C. HARRISON, Esq., Offg. Accountant-General, to the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, No. 2620, dated 26th August 1897.

In continuation of my letters Nos. 2548 and 2569, dated the 20th and 23rd August 1897, respectively, I have the honor to forward the accompanying copy of a statement shewing the grant, expenditure and excess expenditure under 33 *Famine Relief* from 1st April to 30th September 1897, since obtained from the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

2. It will be seen from it that he estimates the total outlay for the 6 months in question at Rs. 77,82,000.

3. The expenditure in the Civil Department according to the accompanying copy of the statement forwarded to the Famine Commissioner amounted for the first four months of

* Since reduced by adjustments.

current year to Rs. 19,59,000.* Basing my estimate on the actual outlay in July last which amounted to Rs. 9,01,000, I think that lakhs for the current and ensuing months should suffice. Adopting these figures the total expenditure up to the end of September next will amount to Rs. 115,41,000. Deducting the sanctioned grants of Rs. 20,04,000 and 14,96,000, the further additional grant for which the sanction of the Government of India has to be sought is Rs. 80,41,000.

(Signed) F. C. HARRISON.

Statement showing Famine Relief Expenditure up to the end of July 1897.

Districts.	Salaries and establishment.	Relief Works in charge of Civil Officers.	Relief to people employed otherwise than on Relief Works.	Gratuitous Relief.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
Ganjam ...	April 279 0 4 May 926 4 1 June 1,539 7 11 July 4,895 5 5	... 6,206 8 6 10,162 6 0 2,177 0 2	2,306 8 1 15,256 11 3 36,643 5 1 76,361 15 4	2,709 10 8 24,215 0 2 71,631 11 8 1,53,126 13 7	597 0 0 730 4 6 685 15 5 1,436 10 6	5,892 3 1 47,334 12 6 1,20,662 14 1 2,37,937 13 0
	7,640 1 9	18,545 14 8	1,30,568 7 9	2,51,683 4 1	3,449 14 5	4,11,887 10 8
Vizagapatam.	April ... May ... June 5 0 0 July 181 3 11	9,474 0 5 4,105 10 10 811 3 8 1,892 1 9	 100 0 0 11,011 8 9	1,473 1 5 2,742 2 2 6,931 10 9 42,642 11 11	 5 2 0 ...	10,947 1 10 6,847 13 0 6,230 9 1 55,727 10 4
	186 3 11	14,660 9 4	11,111 8 9	53,789 10 3	5 2 0	79,753 2 3
Godavari...	April ... May ... June ... July ...	... 6 15 0 ... 77 15 9		4,607 12 0 5,297 13 0 2,875 0 0 ...		... 4,614 11 0 5,297 13 0 2,952 15 9
	...	84 14 9	...	12,780 9 0	...	12,865 7 9
uddapah	April 593 15 11 May 778 9 7 June 831 5 3 July 1,420 4 10	5,791 4 4 10,500 0 4 30,689 9 4 11,854 13 4	52,020 6 2 34,565 10 8 44,793 13 5 79,382 8 1	978 0 11 3,877 12 6 22,025 0 6 33,254 13 11	... 0 8 0	50,383 11 4 28,722 8 5 98,339 12 6 1,25,912 8 2
	3,624 3 7	37,835 10 8	2,10,762 6 4	60,135 11 10	0 8 0	3,12,358 8 5
antapur	April 338 1 0 May 496 3 1 June 356 7 7 July 1,307 15 5	1,500 0 0 6,800 0 0 8,937 11 3 5,203 13 3	2,000 0 0 4,000 0 0 ... 5,128 14 0	1,700 0 0 11,848 11 10 21,950 0 0 11,331 3 3	49 11 0 122 2 6 -171 13 6 ...	5,587 12 0 23,267 0 5 30,172 5 4 22,971 13 11
	2,498 11 1	22,441 8 6	11,128 14 0	45,929 14 1	...	81,998 15 8
ool ...	April 283 2 10 May 780 8 11 June 3,325 13 0 July 3,260 13 1	78,812 12 7 79,859 13 4 2,52,250 0 0 2,105,95 14 2	9,135 3 8 9,279 0 0 10,658 7 0 66,276 0 4	3,913 3 0 7,470 0 0 51,458 11 2 95,072 12 8		92,144 6 1 97,389 6 3 3,17,692 15 2 3,75,205 8 3
	7,650 5 10	6,21,518 8 1	95,348 11 0	1,57,914 10 10	...	8,82,432 3 9
	April 499 5 10 May 2,470 8 0 June 2,758 10 5 July 4,274 12 1	9,93 15 0 3,720 13 0 3,817 1 4 672 12 6	2,413 8 5 5,490 11 9 8,944 9 2 25,216 2 11	9,400 10 1 19,622 1 4 37,223 15 2 49,687 3 4		13,307 7 4 31,304 2 1 52,744 4 1 79,850 14 10
	10,003 4 4	9,204 9 10	42,065 0 3	1,15,933 13 11	...	1,77,206 12 4

Total... 19,58,502 12 10

ORDER—No. 702A dated 31st August 1897.

The following telegram will be despatched to the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, Simla :—

698 x with reference to your No. A 329-A July 22nd actual famine relief expenditure up to the end of July was Civil Officers 19.59 lakhs, Public works 27.79, total 47.38. Estimate for August is 22 and for September 16. Grand total 85. Please sanction additional grant 50 lakhs.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
„ Public Works Department.
„ Accountant-General.

8-7-05 ✓